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Moved His Shop.

E. H. Hight has moved his barber

shop to Main Street Hotel.

Good Buyers on the new Market.

There will be no lack of interest in the new tobacco market. Already the tollowing buyers are here:

Mess. O. D. Hooker, of Hillsboro; Henry Wilkinson and W. T. Clement, of Oxford; C. C. Crimpton, of Danville, Va. Mr. W. J. Finch, of Chatham, Va., is here as auctioneer for the season.

Changed Tuesday.

The post-office here changed hands colored Ameial.

It is very unpleasant, but a day will Co.'s Drug Store. come when the white people of this

country will wake up. Then with the ballot, which is as powerful in the hands of the humblest citizen as in the hands of the chief nagistrate of the nation, will they vote awn this unholy regime and manage affairs aga....

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LOCAL NEWS.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCMENT .- Mr. W. E. Bishop has sent out cards announcing the marriage of his sister, Miss Blanche Hall Bishop, to Mr. Luther B. Hyslup, Tuesday, August 9, 1898, at 9:30 a.m. in Trinity church, Scotland Neck.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THAT BOY OF YOURS?-The catalogue of Oak Ridge Institute helps you to answer this question in the most satis- Conoho Friday. factory manner. Professors Holt discuss the question at length, in the light of their 23 years experience. Write

Lost HIS FINGERS .- Walter Crowell a colored man of this place, was working at the mills of The North Carolina Lumber Co. at Tillery, and had his hand caught in the machinery. His thumb and first three fingers of his right hand were cut off, whirled into the machine and were not found at all

About John Odom.

Possibly a stranger to passing events in this community might get a wrong impression from what we said about the killing of John Odom last week. John Odom, a colored man, was found dead in a furnace here several years

It never was thought for a moment that any white people were concerned in the matter at all.

Some colored men upon whom rested suspicion soon left and have not been in this community since.

Burned to Death.

Mrs. Bowers of this place was called away to Ringwood Saturday to see her sister, Mrs. Boseman, who was badiy burned. It was not known when Mrs-Bowers left that her sister was dead, but the following news item from the News & Observer states that Mrs. Bose-

"Ringwood, N. C., July 30 .- Mrs. Flora Boseman, wife of A. F. Boseman, was terribly burned last evening, from the effect of which she died in a few bours. She was pouring oil in a lighted lamp when the oil can and lamp burning off her body before any help could reach her. She was a most excellent woman and leaves a husband and several children, one a baby only a few months old."

Mrs. Bowers' friends here will regret to learn such result of the accident and sympathize with her in the afflic-

THE COMMONWEALTH feels sympathy for all who are touched by the sad occurrence.

County Commissioners' Meeting.

The county commissioners were in regular monthly session last Monday. and finished up the work in one day. The following accounts were allowed:

C W Dunn, con'ying prisoners and burying Joe Williams 14 05 G L Alford, removing raft 6 00 1 24 E T Clark, freight county home R A Hardy, serving notices

McM Furgerson, reporting to 50 00 Board of Equalization Geo A Branch, 'clding inquest 21 60 Joe Williams

J H Allsbrook, Jr, repair'g bridge

Deep Creek W G Purnell, convey'g prisoner 1 00 W M Cohen, drugs county home 29 10 John Fenner, work court house 1 00 J B Hunter, convey'g prisoner 2 00 McM Furgerson, recording orders 13 30

C H Hale, goods jail C H Hale, goods county home 34 52 J H Norman, goods " W T Parker " " 15.33

B I Allsbrook, county fence Harrell Printing House H J Wood, Supt county home Moses Williams, jail acc't 2 00 H C Falcom, burying paupers J T Evans, oil county home 1 10 T N Harrison, county home

Allowed Aledeen Anthony, pauper 1 50 M Norfleet, Charles Staton, T N Harrison, quarter salary Asked solicitor to call special term

criminal court R. N. Harper was appointed constable

Robbed the Grave.

for Brinkleyville township.

A Startling incident of which Mr John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the er ect, is narrated by him as follows: My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite-gradually Tuesday. Mr. R. H. Smith who has growing weaker day by day. Three been postmaster for four years went physicians had given me up. Fortuout Monday evening and Tom Shields nately, a friend advised trying 'Electook charge Tuesday morning. For the first time since the first time since the made a decided the first time since the war the white improvement, I continued their use people of this good town and remark- for three weeks, and am now a well ably in elligent community had their man. I know they sayed my life, and mail passibere through the hands of a No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts. per bottle at E. T. Whitehead &

> The Rev. W. B. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood, that state was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to ge hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my Tib. It relieved me at once.' For sale tist church in Greenville, preached in

THE MIXING CROWD.

AND OF OTHERS WE DO NOT KNOW.

Mr. J. D. Ray was in town last week Miss Nora Smith went to Tarboro

Mr. C. T. Cordon, of Washington, wa

Mrs. M. C. Flemming returned from

Rey. R. H. Herring, of Halifax, was n town last week. Miss Effie Coker, of Tarboro, was in

town last week. Miss Vira Manning returned from Hamilton Monday.

Mr. W. A. Dunn went to Jackson court Monday on business.

Mrs. Nora Henry went to Tarboro Saturday to visit friends.

Mess. A. McDowell and F. P. Shield vent to Raleigh last week. Miss Moltle Bass, of Hobgood, came

up Tuesday to visit friends. Miss Susie Saunders returned to her home in Grimsland Tuesday.

Misses Lena Harris and Laura Harvell went to Nags Head this week.

Mr. N. Biggs went to to Jackson this week to attend to some court interest. Mr. Claude Kitchin went to Green-

ville last week on professional business.

Mess. T. C. Harrison and M. V. Burton, of Weldon, spent Monday night

Mess. Herbert Britton and N. C.

Powell, of Powellsville, were in town Miss Alice Madrey, of Tarboro, is here on a visit to the family of Mr.

Collin Gray. Rev. D. B. Ricard, of Crisp, came Tuesday. His many friends are glad

Mrs. Fannie Wakefield came Tuesday to visit her sister, Mrs. S. B.

exploded, her clothes taking fire and here Sunday, shaking bands with his Mrs. Dan Richardson, sister of Mr. R orium at Trinity College in honor of

Rev. Father Quinn, of New York, was in town last week, the guest of

Mrs. A. S. Dunn. Mrs. C. H. Bell, of Portsmouth, Va., came Friday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Allsbrook.

Miss Rosalind Rountree returned to her home in Greenville Tuesday ac compared by Miss Annie Kitchin. Mr. O. K. Taylor and son, Dan, and

Rev. Rufus Bradley went to Willamston last week to attend District confer-Rev. J. N. Booth, of Washington, was in town last week, having come

to attend to attend the Union at Daw-Mrs. J. E. Bullock returned to her home at Conetoe Thursday after a few

days visit to her mother, Mrs. P. J. 7 80 Madrey. Mr. G. Hoffman returned from

Wrightsville Monday. He says all hands down there are having a most delightful time.

Rev. J. D. Pegram, of Garysburg, was here Sunday and preached in the Methodist church morning and night to the delight of his congregation. .

Miss Eliza Stratton, who has been visiting Mrs. A. S. Dunn, returned to her home in Petersburg Tuesday, accompanied by M188 Mamie Dunn.

Rev. G. W. Phelps and family, of Littleton, have moved here, Mr. Phelps having accepted the call to the Episcopal church. We wish Mr. Phelps much success in his new field of labor and welcome him to the community.

Rev. M. L. Kesler, of Rocky Mount. addressed the B. Y. P. U. here Friday night. His theme was "Responsibility." He handled the subject with great ease although he had had no preparation. Scotland Neck is always pleased to have Mr. Kesler.

Mr. R. L. Hardy was called to Golds boro Friday on account of the illness and death of his sister, Mrs. Richardson (nee Miss Byah Hardy) whom Scotland Neck remembers as a student in Vine Hill Female Academy last year. THE COMMOEWFATH extends 1ts sympathy. Mrs. Hardy went Saturday.

Mr. E. L. Bracy who has been for several months in Waterbury, Conn., is home on a visit to his father, Mr. G. W. Bracy. Roy left Scotland Neck a few years ago and engaged in work as a machinist in Richmond. He has developed into a first class machinist. and for the past six or eight months as been in Waterbury, Conn., at work on a newly invented cigarette machine. He will soon go to South America to set up and operate the machines for the inventor. Roy is quite a young man now, and with a few years' more experience he will be a much-travelled young man. We are glad to see Roy improving his time so well. He has a bright and pleasing future.

Rev. A. W. Setzer, pastor of the Bapthe Baptist church here last Sunday 6-30-6t.

morning and night. His sermons were strong and forceful and he made glad all who heard him. Mr. Setzer is quite a young man to occupy so important pastorate, but his sermons here indicate that he is equal to the work Rather tall, with long arms and piercing eyes, most pleasing enunciation, a strong, clear voice, of easy and grace ful gesture, Mr. Setzer easily claims the attention of his audience from the very first, and so finds it easy to speak with proper preparation, which his sermons Sunday showed he had made There was nothing stiff on the cut-and dried-order, but an easy flow of language conveying clear thought in a way that showed the speaker was filled with the subject. We have no space for an analysis of the sermons. In the morning he preached from the circumstance of the burning bush which Moses saw giving the gospel in the burning bush, the mystery in the burning bush and the mission of the burning bush. At night he preached from the words "Where is He?" The question referred to Christ, and the speaker beautifully pointed out where Christ has been found in the past, is found now and may be found in the future. He touchingly showed that one of the sweetest real izations of a touch with Christ is in the field of service. The audiences were delighted with the service and Scotland Neck people will be glad to see and hear Mr. Setzer again.

Tramping the old Wat path.

Monday morning at the depot a little covered wagon drawn by a dark mule attracted our attention. Upon inquiry we found it to be Mr. Thomas Pickett's, of Chapel Hill. He had been down to Hamilton and Palmyra looking again over the war paths of the sixties. He says he drilled the first company in Hamilton. He was a member of Co. K Second N. C. Cayalry, and was general drill master.

He drove all the way from Chapel Hill through the country and back and seemed to enjoy looking over the war fields again.

A Sad Death.

Mr. A. A. Nichalls, of Tarboro, was from Doyer tells of the sad death of the raising of funds to build an audit-L. Hardy of Scotland Neck, and whose funeral he and his wife attended last week at Goldsboro.

The Dover item in the Free Press

"Mrs. Byah Richardson, the estima ble young wife of Mr. Dan Richardson died at her home here to-day of malarial fever, leaving an infant child only few weeks old. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. T. Hines and Mrs. Alice Hunter, and three brothers, we think, to sorrow with the bereaved young husband. Dan's hosts of friends extend sympathy to him, but only those of us who have had a like ex perience can fully realize what sorrow he is having to bear. We would not restrain the tears that flow from his anguished heart; they are the outburst of a stream swollen beyond its capacity, but we bid him resign himself to that to which all mankind are destined, remembering that 'tis Jesus calls, and He doeth all things well."

Roanoke Union.

The Roanoke Union of the Ta River Baptist Association was held a Dawsons last week, beginning Friday

and closing Sunday night. There was good attendance every day and a very large crowd on Sunday Those who attended said it was a fine meeting and the subjects on the programme were ably discussed.

Rev. J. N. Booth was chairman of the meeting and Rev. Mr. Ayers was

The ministers present were Rev. R. H. Herring, the pastor, Revs. J. W. Powell and M. L. Kesler, of Rocky Mount, A. W. Setzer of Greenvile, J N. Booth, of Washington, N. C., and G. L. Merrell of Hobgood, and Mr. Ayerrs, who has recently come into this

community. The hospitality of the Dawsons peo ple was in evidence all through the meeting and they well maintained their reputation for free and lavish enter-

All who attended the meeting had a good time. And what was better than a simple good time, it was the general feeling that much good will result to the community from the influence of the meeting.

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Opening sermon was preached Wednesday evening, 8:30 o'clock by Rev. A. R. Goodchild.

Thursday morning after devotional exercises and remarks by Dr. Gibbs touching the conference and the work, the conference proceeded to its regular minute business.

All the pastors in the District were present except J. T. Abernethy and J. R. Tillery. Only 19 delegates were

The following schools were represented :- Littleton Female College and Central Academy by Rev. J. M. Rhodes, President of Littleton Female College.

Trinity College by Rev. N. M. Jurney. Trinity Park High School by Prof.

. F. Bivins, Head master. Louisburg Female College by Rev. J. E. Underwood.

Graham, Principal. Rev. T. J. Gattis, colporter for the North Carolina Conference was present

Warrenton High School by Prof.

with a nice line of good books. Thursday afternoon was devoted to general discussion on the spiritual and financial state of the church-Revs. P. L. Herman, J. O. Guthrie, J. Sanford, D. D., P. N. Stainback and Messrs. J. T. Flythe and E. S. Dail took part in the discussion.

Delegates to the Annual Conference O. K. Taylor, W. A. Ellison, E. S. Dail and J. T. Flythe. Alternates, W. H. Smithswick and H. C. Spiers.

Revs. A. McCullen, J. C. Jones, J. M. Rhodes, and N. M. Jurney made addresses on Christian Education Friday night.

Rey. N. M. Jurney, Agent for the Braxton Craven Memorial Hall, spoke The Kinston Free Press in items very earnestly of his specific workthe late Dr. Braxton Craven.

He took a collection and subscriptions for the same.

This was a very pleasant conference all the way through.

Dr. Gibbs endeared himself very much to the preachers and the people in the manner in which he presided over the conference. Sermons were preached by Reys, J.

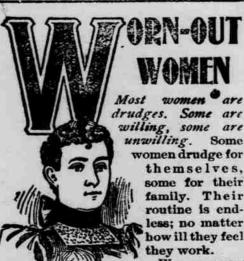
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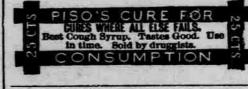
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